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**A**t 31, Jason Gibson has accomplished more than most lawyers would be proud to accomplish in a career. Since graduating from University of Houston Law Center in 1998, Gibson has accumulated more than \$80 million in settlements and verdicts and has never lost at trial. Gibson is one of the youngest lawyers ever to serve on the Board of Directors for both the Houston Trial Lawyers Association and the Texas Trial Lawyers Association.

Gibson's firm focuses its practice on cases involving catastrophic personal injuries, wrongful deaths, toxic torts, in addition to pharmaceutical and commercial business-type litigation. "We're aggressive, we're efficient and we win. That's the bottom line," he says, referring to his firm's philosophy on the handling of its cases.

Gibson is motivated by personal experiences with his own family. His grandfather recently passed away from an acute form of leukemia which Gibson believes was associated with occupa-

tional exposure to benzene. "As a union leader, my grandfather spent his entire life helping the working men and women of Texas. As a trial lawyer, I intend to follow in his footsteps and carry on that tradition."

Whether the case is against a high-profile company such as Firestone or a high-profile individual such as Garth Brooks, Gibson is prepared for the challenge. "I like being the underdog and I like the challenge of a good fight," he says. So what's next for this up-and-coming trial lawyer? Gibson's firm is currently pursuing claims against Merck & Co. on behalf of heart attack and stroke victims who used the drug Vioxx®.

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